



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

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TO:. The Record
Health Facilities Advisory Committee (HFAC)
Members

FROM: Recording HFAC Secretary

SUBJECT: August 7, 1996, Meeting

Members and Attendance:

CAPT Kenneth Harper, Chairman, ES-Seattle*
CAPT Jay Farmwald, Vice-Chairman, IHS/Alaska Area*
RADM Thomas Gallegos, Member, ES-Dallas**
CAPT Dennis Taylor, Member, IHS/Albuquerque Area
Office**
CAPT Gary McFarland, Member, IHS/Billings Area
Office*
CAPT George Byrns, Member, IHS HQ/DEH*
CAPT Kerry Gragg, Member, IHS/California Area Office*
Mr. William Johnson, Member, IHS HQ/DFM*
Mr. James Biasco, Member, IHS HQ/DFPC*
CAPT Wayne Mohler, Guest, ES-Seattle Representative
Mr. John Rogers, Guest, ES-Seattle Representative
Mr. Henry Cruz, Recording Secretary, IHS HQ/DFPC
(* - voting members present)
(** - voting members not present due to previous
commitment)

Introductions:

Meeting via conference call started 12:05 PM. Total
present: 10 with 7 voting members. Minutes of the
July 10, 1996, meeting were approved.

Items discussed:

I. Old Business:

P-3, Architect/Engineer (A/E) Guide - HFAC final vote
was deferred until September 11, 1996, meeting.

Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ) - CAPT Harper had
asked the status of the AHJ. He was told that a signed
copy will be mailed to the HFAC members at a later date
before the September 11, 1996, meeting.

Tribal representation - CAPT Harper indicated that this issue will be discussed at a later date.

P-22, On Site Incineration - CAPT Byrns briefly discussed his condensed version of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) interim rule on incineration. A copy of the EPA rule was electronically mailed (e-mailed) to HFAC members prior to the August meeting. CAPT Farmwald did not received his copy (a copy will be mailed to him at a later date). He indicated that no action will be taken by the HFAC until the EPA issue the final rule on July 1997.

II. New Business:

P-33, Lead-Based Paint - CAPT Byrns briefly discussed a draft that his office had developed on lead-based paint guidelines, since IHS has no policy on this issue. A draft copy will be distributed to the HFAC members at a later date.

P-36, Energy Savings Performance Contracting - Mr. Johnson will develop a Chapter on this issue and it will part of the Technical Handbook for Office of Environmental Health and Engineering. A draft copy will be mailed to the HFAC members at a later date.

P-37, Replacement of Fluorescent Lighting - Discussion was deferred until CAPT Taylor returns.

III. Other Issues:

Open Discussions - several issues were discussed. One item was the discussion between Mr. Sintes and Mr. Bell regarding which building codes should apply, Mr. Sintes said to use the original codes when the building was built but Mr. Bell said to use the current codes. The question is what point do we switch from original to current codes (e.g., minor to major projects). Mr. Johnson will ask Mr. Sintes to write up a recommendation subject to HFAC review and evaluation. Also, CAPT Farmwald raised the question about title III master plan, what will be Area staff deeplook team involvement? Mr. Johnson suggested finishing the deeplook manual update and will review ES-Dallas version of the manual.

Updating of the HFAC Proposals and Decisions - CAPT Harper asked the HFAC members if issue no. P-40, Mammograph Construction, requires further HFAC action. He was told that this issue was in lieu of the Office of Health Programs policy on mammography but they have decided that location(s) will be on a limited basis. It was suggested that this issue be deleted from the

HFAC proposals. CAPT Harper had assigned two issues; P-41, Environmental and Occupational Monitoring, and P-42, Sprinklers. These issues were previously assigned by CAPT Farmwald on July 10, 1996, meeting to Mr. Biasco and CAPT Harper with a target date of October 1996.

HFAC Agenda - Mr. Biasco suggested sending the HFAC minutes of the meeting to the Area Facilities Engineers. CAPT Farmwald made a motion, seconded by CAPT Byrns, and voted favorably by the HFAC members, to send the HFAC minutes of the meeting and the upcoming meeting agenda to the Area Facilities Engineers.

P-38, Interim Life Safety Measures - Mr. Johnson briefly discussed this issue and he will be sending a draft copy to the HFAC members for review and comment at a later date. He indicated that this guideline will cover the related construction safety access, exits, etc., exclusive of staff training and normal operational process.

Next Meeting - September 11, 1996, 12:00 noon, Eastern Time.

IV. Meeting was closed at 12:55 PM, Eastern Time.

Respectfully Submitted,


Henry D. Cruz

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ES-Seattle
DFPC/PDB
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Area Offices (Alaska, Albuquerque, Billings, & California)